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In the Office Action, the claims were restricted into four groups: Group I, claims 1-7; Group II, claims 8 and 11-16; Group III, claim 9; and Group IV, claim 10. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-7.

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